



# Richmond City Council Formal Awards Ceremony Docket

For Official Presentation: **Monday, 9 October 2017**

#	TITLE/RECIPIENT	TYPE	SUMMARY/NARRATIVE	MAIN PRESENTER/S
1	<p><b>Richmond Fire Prevention Week</b></p> <p><b>To be received by:</b> Richmond Department of Fire and Emergency Services</p>	<b>RICHMOND OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION</b>	In recognition of National Fire Prevention Week and to encourage Richmond residents to be fire safe and to learn, observe, and use proper fire safety precautions in their home and workplace.	<b>Mayor President</b>
2	<p><b>Sgt. Carol Adams</b> Richmond Police Department - Community Care Unit</p> <p><b>To be received by:</b> Sgt. Carol Adams</p>	<b>RICHMOND OFFICIAL Recognition</b>	To recognize, honor, and celebrate her for her work on behalf of victims and survivors of domestic violence, and thanks her for helping to make Richmond an even better and safer place to live, work, learn, play, love, visit, and raise a family.	<b>Newbille</b>

**The following Richmond City Council Formal Awards were presented in the community at a different date.**

3	<p><b>Mrs. Mary Thompson</b> Chair, 2017 Richmond East End 7th Voter District National Night Out Committee</p> <p>Presented in community.</p>	<b>RICHMOND OFFICIAL RECOGNITION AWARD</b>	To recognize, honor and celebrate Mrs. Mary Thompson, Chair of the 2017 Richmond East End 7th Voter District National Night Out Committee and thank her for her work in helping to make Richmond an even better and safer place to live, work, learn, love, visit and raise a family.	<b>Newbille</b>
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# RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL AND MAYOR LEVAR M. STONEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA - COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA - CITY OF RICHMOND

## RICHMOND OFFICIAL JOINT PROCLAMATION

By virtue of the authority vested in the United States of America, Commonwealth of Virginia, Virginia Code of Laws and the Richmond City Charter: The Honorable Levar M. Stoney, Mayor of Richmond and The Honorable Members of Richmond City Council, the governing body of Richmond, Virginia, in the United States of America, do hereby and officially proclaim:

### Richmond Fire Prevention Week

**Whereas**, The Honorable Levar M. Stoney, Mayor of Richmond, and The Honorable Members of Richmond City Council, the governing body of Richmond, Virginia in the United States of America, do hereby unite in solidarity and common purpose to declare natural and man-made emergencies and disasters to be clear and present threats to the life, health, and happiness of all Richmond residents; and

**Whereas**, Each one of us shares individual leadership and responsibility in helping keep ourselves and our families, friends, community, and loved ones safe from harm; and

**Whereas**, Fire and the products of combustion, such as heat, steam, smoke and toxic gases, can be extremely dangerous and cause traumatic injuries, burns, scalds, illness, death, destruction of property, and have sizable individual and community financial impacts; and

**Whereas**, Home and workplace fire safety is critically important and all Richmond residents should be proactive in their use of preventative measures regarding fire, such as being attentive while cooking; careful with smoking; and, responsible for heating maintenance and electrical needs; and

**Whereas**, Last year (2016), the Richmond Department of Fire and Emergency Services responded to 1,154 fire calls, which included physical injuries and the loss of six lives; traumatic stress and medical costs; and, more than \$4 million in property and real estate damages; and

**Whereas**, In 1920, United States President Woodrow Wilson established October 9 as a National Fire Prevention Day to promote the need for fire safety and memorialize the infamous "Great Chicago Fire" disaster, which began on October 8 and peaked on October 9, 1871 in Chicago, Illinois; and

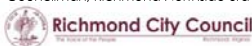
**Whereas**, Since 1922, the week in which October 9 falls each year has been observed as National Fire Prevention Week and as a time to further promote safety and help prevent unintended fires and their potentially deadly and costly aftermath; and

**Whereas**, A dedicated resource in helping further educate Richmonders about proper fire, emergency, and disaster precautions, prevention, mitigation, preparation, response, and recovery practices is the Richmond Department of Fire and Emergency Services, which deliver educational programs during Richmond Fire Prevention Week and throughout the year; and

**Now, Therefore**, In recognition of National Fire Prevention Week, Richmond City Council and Mayor Levar M. Stoney do hereby re-proclaim the week in which October 9 falls each year to be Richmond Fire Prevention Week; and, encourage all Richmond residents to be fire safe and to learn, observe, and use proper fire safety precautions in their home and workplace and to educate themselves regarding emergency and disaster prevention, mitigation, protection, preparation, recovery, and response practices.

In Witness Whereof, we have hereunto given under our hands for presentation on the ninth day of October, two thousand seventeen, of the Common Era, in the two hundred eightieth year of the foundation of Richmond in 1737, in the two hundred forty-first year of the Commonwealth of Virginia and United States of America.

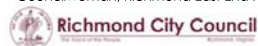
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# Richmond City Council

The Voice of the People

Richmond, Virginia

## RICHMOND OFFICIAL RECOGNITION AWARD

By virtue of the authority vested in the United States of America, Commonwealth of Virginia, Virginia Code of Laws and the Richmond City Charter: The Honorable Members of Richmond City Council, the governing body of Richmond, Virginia, in the United States of America, do hereby officially recognize:

### Sgt. Carol Adams

Richmond Police Department - Community Care Unit

**Whereas**, The Honorable Members of Richmond City Council, the governing body of Richmond, Virginia, in the United States of America, do hereby unite in solidarity and common purpose to recognize, honor, and celebrate Sgt. Carol Adams, Sergeant of the Richmond Police Department - Community Care Unit for her work on behalf of victims and survivors of domestic violence; and

**Whereas**, A lifelong Richmond resident, Sgt. Adams joined the Richmond Police Department in 1997 and has dedicated her life to helping to protect and serve our community residents; and

**Whereas**, Now heading the Richmond Police Department - Community Care Unit, Sgt. Adams helps develop, support, and implement programs and services that are critical to providing comprehensive proactive community outreach and engagement that work to identify, address, prevent, and respond to community public safety issues; and

**Whereas**, Victims and survivors of domestic violence include men, women and children of all ethnicities, backgrounds, races, education levels, and income groups; and

**Whereas**, The social and economic costs and consequences of domestic violence are profound, long-lasting, and include physical and psychological trauma, permanent injury, and death; and

**Whereas**, Sgt. Adams is a survivor of domestic violence that took the life of her mother; and

**Whereas**, In America, public and community service are considered to be the most important and noble work a person can do and are included in the principles and creed written into the founding documents of our great Nation, in that our individual destinies and that of our families, communities, city, state and country include not only the aspiration of our federal constitutional republic but the support of all its residents in realizing the fulfillment of its promise; and

**Whereas**, As further testament to her dedication, Sgt. Adams supports the Domestic Violence Greater Richmond Collaborative; created a foundation to support survivors of domestic violence; and, was chosen as a 2016 Richmond Times-Dispatch Person of the Year Honoree for her work; and

**Whereas**, October is Richmond Domestic Violence Awareness Month, which highlights and brings further awareness to the importance of this issue;

**Now Therefore**, Richmond City Council does hereby officially recognize, honor, and celebrate Sgt. Carol Adams for her work on behalf of victims and survivors of domestic violence, and thanks her for helping to make Richmond an even better and safer place to live, work, learn, play, love, visit, and raise a family.

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### Mrs. Mary Thompson

Chair, 2017 Richmond East End 7th Voter District National Night Out Committee

The Honorable Members of Richmond City Council, the governing body of Richmond, Virginia, in the United States of America, do hereby unite in solidarity and common purpose to recognize, honor, and celebrate Mrs. Mary Thompson, Chair of the 2017 Richmond East End 7th Voter District National Night Out Committee.

Held August 1, 2017, *National Night Out* is an annual neighborhood crime fighting event that establishes a vehicle for families to come together and focus on fighting crime in their neighborhood through unity and education. The event empowers residents and strengthens neighborhoods by creating an opportunity for families to visit and talk with one another and with civic groups, local officials, firefighters, law enforcement, businesses, and neighborhood organizations.

Local National Night Out events include crime prevention activities ranging from turning on porch lights to block parties and cookouts that include food and games for children.

Held each year on the first Tuesday of August, National Night Out was established in 1984 by the National Association of Town Watch as a program to help build neighborhood unity in fighting crime. The celebration includes participation in all 50 U. S. states, U.S. territories, Canada and U.S. military bases around the world.

Each year numerous local National Night Out events and activities are locally planned in neighborhoods throughout Richmond, these events are great way to meet, talk and play with neighbors and enjoy fun-filled family activities.

Producing successful larger-scale events requires great dedication and includes hundreds of hours of hard work in directing, planning, producing, communicating, advertising, coordinating, and managing, which includes overseeing ongoing and sometimes fluid organizational dynamics, logistics, volunteers, vendors, talent, attendees, health and life safety/security needs, and numerous other critical details. Many times a thankless task, successful events, with their many facets and responsibilities, are typically led and directed by a committed event manager and aided by assistants.

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